

AROUND THE CITY

LOCALS

Lager Roy leaves on the C. N. R. tonight for Chawin, where he will open a grocery store.

Mr. C. H. Huxton and daughter, of Red Deer, are spending a few days visiting friends in the city.

The taking of a police census in Calgary was begun yesterday morning and will likely be completed about the same time as the police census in Edmonton is finished at the end of the present week.

The city council will meet again this afternoon at three o'clock to discuss the C. P. R. agreement, and the two bills for the purchase of the D. W. McDonald property, and to take a resolution on Sunday street car operation.

Westward Ho Chapter Dufferin of the Empire will hold their regular monthly meeting at the residence of Mrs. T. Barnes, Fifth street, tomorrow afternoon, at 2 o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

There was little business this morning at the police court. A bid for riding a bicycle on the sidewalk was fined \$5 and a teamster for leaving his horse unattended was fined \$5. Two minor cases were taken up for the attention of the court.

The firemen of No. 2 hall were called out at 2:15 this morning for alarm from the corner of Peace avenue and Sixth street. The fire was caused by George C. Hurst had taken fire in the canvas roof from a stove pipe. The shock was badly damaged before the fire was extinguished by the chemist.

Miss Ada T. Ward, of Drayton, Ont., and Elgin W. Gray, of Edmonton, were married at the Methodist parsonage, Calgary, by Rev. G. W. Kerby, pastor of Central Methodist church, on Saturday morning last. Mr. Gray is well known in Edmonton, where he has resided for many years. In his new life he is connected with the Edmonton and Co. Co. After a brief stay in Calgary the bride couple will take up their residence in Edmonton.

LATEST DATE ON RECORD.

The final breaking up of the ice in the river yesterday marked the latest date in which the Saskatchewan has opened in the past twenty years over which the floods extend. Although the break was almost daily expected since the middle of April, it was greatly retarded by the unexpected cold during the latter part of the month.

The solid water of Saturday and Sunday, however, had its effect and by Monday afternoon the river was running clear. For over two weeks there has been a channel of open water bank from the power house to the bridge and for over a month Huffer's gravel dredge has been working a short distance below the power house.

At the head in the river the water runs mulls the ice is still tightly jammed and in places the lumber is carried 60 miles up the river as the effect that the river is completely bridged over in places by sheets of open water between. In the course of a week it is expected to be running freely, however.

The break-up of this year is about two weeks later than last year.

The dates of the break-ups since 1881 are as follows:

1881	.....	April 29
1882	.....	No record
1883	.....	April 10
1884	.....	No record; S. H. snow April 10
1885	.....	April 7
1886	.....	April 10
1887	.....	April 23
1888	.....	April 10
1889	.....	April 11
1890	.....	April 10
1891	.....	April 17
1892	.....	April 17
1893	.....	April 17
1894	.....	April 17
1895	.....	April 23
1896	.....	April 23
1897	.....	April 23
1898	.....	April 23
1899	.....	April 23
1900	.....	April 23
1901	.....	No record
1902	.....	No record
1903	.....	April 14
1904	.....	April 14
1905	.....	April 14
1906	.....	April 14
1907	.....	April 14
1908	.....	April 14
1909	.....	May 3

*This year the late Wm. C. C. of St. Albert, had cuts three inches high, and all his wheat up on April 15th.

THE WEATHER.

The weather has turned much warmer all over the prairie province. In Alberta and part of Saskatchewan summer temperatures are recorded.

At Edmonton, the temperature was warm, Wednesday, a few low clouds, showers or thunderstorms, but mostly fine. Saskatchewan and Alberta had scattered showers or thunderstorms, but mostly fair, stationary or lower temperature.

The record of temperature in the various centres yesterday was as follows:

	Max.	Min.
Edmonton (fair)	74	42
Calgary (fair)	79	42
Medicine Hat (clear)	70	40
Winnipeg (clear)	70	40
Regina (clear)	61	30
Indian Head (fair)	62	30
Brandon (clear)	60	28
Humboldt (clear)	60	28
Wentworth (clear)	60	28
Brandon (clear)	60	28
Winnipeg (clear)	60	28
Cypress River (clear)	61	30
Peace (fair)	60	28
Calgary (cloudy)	76	38
Medicine Hat (clear)	60	28
Regina (clear)	79	42
Yorkton (clear)	61	34
Swift Current (clear)	72	34
St. Paul (clear)	60	30
St. Albert (fair)	77	34
Minot (fair)	60	34
Virden (clear)	60	34
Portage la Prairie (clear)	63	34
Bellevue (clear)	63	34
Carleton Place (clear)	63	34
Fort Arthur (cloudy)	64	34

PERSONAL.

Captain H. T. Hughes, of Victoria, B.C., is expected at the Albert Hotel, H. J. Fetter, of Foley, Welsh & Stewart, is at the Albert Hotel.

George P. Smith, of P. P. Smith, left this morning for Athabasca Landing.

Mr. A. Mitchell, Fourth street, will not receive on Wednesday, nor again this season.

Charles F. Roland, publicity commissioner of the province, is in the city today, a guest at the King Edward.

Mr. A. Charbonneau left yesterday for Medicine Hat, where he will spend a few months holiday with his mother.

WESTMINSTER BOYS' UNION.

The boys of Westminster Presbyterian church have organized a boys' club to be known as "The Westminster Boys' Union."

The object of the union is to unite the boys' classes in the Intermediate Department of the Sunday School for definite work in the school. The weekly meetings of the Union will be held on Monday nights.

The first meeting will be held at the home of Mr. J. C. McKelvey, at 7 o'clock. The boys intend starting summer sports at once, a baseball team will be organized to enter the junior boys' league.

Mr. McKelvey, who will act as Boys' Work Director and will be in charge of the club, will be in contact with the boys' classes in the school.

At the organization meeting held on Monday night the following officers were elected:

Hon. President, Mr. M. W. Harlow. Vice-president, Ralph Wagner. Secretary, Clinton McArthur.

Treasurer, Ed. Wagner. Assistant Secretary, Mr. D. McCarry. Assistant Treasurer, Mr. R. B. McCarry.

Chairman of committees—Lockhart, Anne Ritchie, Melrose, McCarry, Donald, social, Archie Curry; publicity, Tom McArthur.

BOARDS OF TRADE CONVENTION.

The convention in Saskatoon on the 15th and 16th and 17th of May of the Associated Boards of Trade, Western Canada promises to be of the greatest importance to Canada, particularly at the present time.

In the report of the convention to John T. Hall, of Medicine Hat, secretary of the convention, the Western Boards of Trade, it is pointed out that the financial stringency and depression of last year will be followed in all probability by a tidal wave of prosperity greater than Western Canada has ever witnessed and it is of vital importance that the representatives of the boards of the west should meet together and discuss the problems of the present, and the possibilities of the future.

Great West.

On behalf of the city of Saskatoon, extends a hearty welcome to all western boards, and has representatives from the convention. In addition have been sent to one hundred and twenty delegates.

All non-chartered boards having been in the city since the 1st of May, the convention and having no need of a meeting list of 120 names or over is eligible for admission. A request was made that the list of delegates and the annual fee be sent in early as possible prior to June 1st.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS PARK.

When the parliament buildings, which are now in course of erection on Capitol hill, are completed, the intention of the public works department will be directed to beautifying the grounds by laying out spacious lawns and flower plots and planting shade trees.

It is expected that the advantage secured by the lay of the ground and the large area to be covered the parliament buildings will be surrounded by a park as beautiful and extensive as any of the parks of the west.

The public works department has made provision for the future requirements of the proposed park. Last year an acre of ground was set aside immediately to the west of the present parliament buildings; an experienced gardener was put in charge and given instructions to plant all varieties of ornamental trees, fruit trees, shrubs and flowers that would be suitable for the climate of the province.

These will be planted in the park and the grounds as required.

J. Baxter, provincial gardener, was on the plantation this morning in the best of good spirits. He looked over the results of the forestation of last year and found that it was good.

On the 24th of May he had planted along half the area to blue spruce, jack pines, Scotch spruce, cottonwoods, mountain ash, silver maples, lilacs, mulberry trees and roses. All the trees planted well, even beyond expectations. Of twelve silver maples planted last year, only one is dead. The others are growing fine, which will be a surprise to those who think the tree cannot be grown here. Only three spruce trees out of 1,200 planted last year have died.

All the other trees have thrived during the winter season, and are now in the best of health.

Mr. Baxter pointed with pride to the hillside, where flowers, shrubs, house plants and tomatoes all have a beautiful spring growth. He said that the alfalfa which has been sown in the alfalfa field has been a most luxuriant crop.

He said that he had a fine view at this morning preparing the remainder of the ground for additional trees. Mr. Baxter will plant apple trees, pear trees, plums, cherries, honey locusts, Scotch spruce, yellow pine, mountain ash, Russian poplar, spruce, yew, all varieties of roses, peonies, phlox, bellflowers, sweet william and other garden flowers.

With this second division of trees, Mr. Baxter says is plenty laid out in the second year in May, which will be in the best of health.

A look at the little reserve which Mr. Baxter is transforming into a park is enough to satisfy any man who thinks the province is depressed in the wealth of nature. Mr. Baxter has demonstrated that the province is not devoid of all in nature that the heart of man can desire.

MILITARY ENGINEER HERE.

Capt. Hughes, of Victoria, B.C., military engineer for military district No. 1, which comprise British Columbia, is in the city in connection with the rifle range on the southern side of the city. Capt. Hughes is now engaged in checking over the plans for the proposed enlargement of the range which will be made this summer. It is possible that he may return to the city after the contract for the enlargement of the range is completed.

He leaves this afternoon on return to the coast.

McDOUGALL EPWORTH LEAGUE.

At the annual meeting of McDougall Epworth League, held in the church last evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Hon. President, Rev. E. E. Marshall. President, F. W. Cox. First Vice-president, Edgar Richardson.

Second Vice-president, Miss V. Porter. Third Vice-president, Miss Campbell. Fourth Vice-president, Miss L. Ash.

Recording secretary, S. B. Ferris. Corresponding secretary, P. H. Glass. Treasurer, R. L. Cushing.

Organist, Mrs. L. Blayney and Miss L. Ashwell. Representative to local union, Rev. C. W. Hughes.

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